

# THE ROSWELL DAILY RECORD

PRINTING

VOLUME 1.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1903

The Record To-Day Salutes Its Readers With Not Good Morning But Good Afternoon

## LIGHT WIND.

Race Yesterday Not Finished.

## RELIANCE AHEAD.

Boats Not Injured by Storm of Saturday.

Special to The Record.

New York, Aug. 31.—Today, after trying for hours to reach the finish line, and being baffled by the light winds, the Reliance gave up the attempt, although she was twenty miles from the Shamrock III, as declared no race. No attempt was made to conduct a race, as the wind was blowing at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour. Sir Thomas Lipton seemed much disappointed, as it is simply prolonging the agony for him. Both the Reliance and Shamrock III were tossed about at their anchorage, but no damage was done to either boat.

The next race, over a course of fifteen miles to windward and return will be held tomorrow.

A New Mexican Farm. Breeders' Gazette.

On another page of this issue will be found a portrait of the handsome gray Percheron stallion Brule, three years old, imported and owned by A. R. and J. C. Hamilton at the Hamilton stock farm two miles from Roswell, N. M. Brule is one of the most intensely brilliant-bred stallions of the breed to which he belongs, and it is doubtful if there is another which traces to the famous old Oaklawn sire through so many of his best sons. Brule was got by the famous French sire Jules which begot many of the best Percheron stallions imported to this country of later years and himself stands as a winner at the international when represented by a group of his get. Jules was by Villers, which like Brillant stood at the head of the Oaklawn stud, and Villers was by Briard, son of Brillant. Mouchette lam of Brule, was got by Blande, a son of Brillant 3d, which has been called the best horse ever gotten by Fenelon, and he in turn was a very famous son of his famous sire, Brillant. Again Blande was a son of a daughter of La Ferte, another of the most glorious of the most celebrated Oaklawn stallions of the olden time, and Brule's second dam was by Archimede, which was got by Voltaire by Brillant. Just how a stronger or better Brillant pedigree could be made out it is hard to see.

The Messrs. Hamilton, who have taken this grandly bred stallion into New Mexico, must be congratulated on their progressive action, for Brule is the first stallion of this class to be taken there. The owners of Hamilton stock farm are pioneers in draft horse breeding in the region where they operate, and the people adjacent to them should consider themselves fortunate to have such a grand opportunity presented them to improve their stock. Hamilton stock farm, as stated, is within two miles of Roswell, in the famous Pecos Valley, and on the farm are 400 acres of alfalfa land. In addition to their enterprise in taking so fine a stallion to their southwestern farm they are the only breeders of high class thorough cattle in that part of New Mexico. They are willing to sell any price for good stock and we are all anxious to see in short and beautiful specimens of the native population of this stock advance.

Has not, contrary to the report of a short time ago, of native stock, with these methods in stock breeding and farming to keep the native population of this stock advance.

Military Institute Opens To-Morrow. Everything is in readiness for the cadets at the Military Institute, and the most prosperous session in the history of the school is anticipated.

The first of the new cadets to arrive was Dr. Gaynor's son, of Eureka, California, who reported for duty on Saturday, followed by the Tate brothers of Bisbee, Arizona, and by Miller of Lake Valley, N. M., Burkett, Seay, Bayless and Morris of Roswell, Burkhard of Trinidad, Colorado, and Shaw of Las Vegas, who reported Monday. Today the train from the south brought in Hon. T. A. Hubbell from Albuquerque, who was in charge of ten boys to enter the institute. Besides this strong delegation, there were about fifteen boys from other places throughout the southwest.

On Saturday night Capt. J. M. Loring, of Bowdoin college, Maine, reported for duty, followed on the next day by Major J. A. Wright, of the Virginia Military Institute, who is to be the new commandant, and is now at work placing cadets in their rooms and starting them on their military duties. Capt. C. W. McWhorter, last year's instructor in athletics, has been detained by a wreck on the road, but will arrive tonight. Capt. Nave, of Washburn college, will report either today or tomorrow.

All the buildings and the grounds give a pleasant greeting to the arrivals, and everything points to a profitable year.

Applications are still coming in, and it is the opinion of the superintendent that many of those who are late in applying will have to be refused admission through lack of room.

## ON IRRIGATION.

The Wonders it has Worked in the Country West of Us.

## THE PRESENT ISSUE.

An Impressive and Irresistible Public Opinion Must Awaken Congress.

Among the very big things in California is the greatest irrigated farm in the world. It contains 400,000 acres, nearly all of which is under actual cultivation.

This princely estate is the property of a single firm, or close corporation, composed of only two persons or families.

Flowing through the heart of this vast property is a splendid river—one of the best in California—which takes its rise in the highest peaks of the Sierra Nevada. Without the use of this stream the estate would be a desert. With it, the property is converted into a paradise.

The land is fertile almost beyond belief, for it is a delta which the stream has been building for ages. Here are wonderful fields of alfalfa, yielding five or six crops every season.

acres are painlessly amputated from the public domain.

This stupid and wicked law originally invited every man and woman in the United States, over twenty-one years of age, to take up 640 acres as a homestead. They were required to pay \$1.25 per acre and to swear that they had provided a means for irrigating a certain portion of the land. The law was loosely administered and frequently evaded in its most essential details. A few years ago the amount of land which one individual could acquire under this statute was reduced to 320 acres.

As a rule, the desert lands lie in large bodies and are only to be reclaimed by costly works of irrigation. In the case of the great farm under discussion, the works are said to have cost \$4,000,000.

How could any poor settler, or any number of poor settlers who could be bought together under ordinary circumstances, avail themselves of the privilege of getting homes by using this law in good faith? They could not do so. They did not do so. The law was designed as an instrument to rob the people of their lands. And, with rare exceptions, it has been used strictly in accord with that design.

Room for Forty Thousand.

Ten acres of good irrigated soil in the semitropical valleys of California will support an average family in comfort. Four hundred thousand acres would, then, support 40,000 families or 160,000 persons if the families consisted of four each. This is the number of landed proprietors who might now be in possession of the greatest irrigated farm in the world if the national irrigation law had been passed twenty-five years ago, and if the land had been reserved for the people under a genuine homestead law.

The great issue of the hour is this: Shall we have on the remainder of the public domain the land monopolist or the multitude of small proprietors? Shall we have the two families or the 40,000? Shall we give the public domain away, or shall we put it into the hands of those who claim it as a birthright—of those who will build their homes upon it and use it for the support of their children.

These burning questions can be evaded no longer. When congress meets again they must be answered once and for all. While we are talking about it the lands are being absorbed by those who know their value only too well and who propose to sell them at enormous profit to the real homesteaders, or to hold them as great private estates.

In his last message the president urges the repeal of the Desert Land Law, of the commutation clause of the Homestead Law, and of the Timber and Stone Act. But this great measure of reform did not get out of the committee room of the house of representatives. And it will never pass except at the behest of an imperious and irresistible public opinion. Every patriotic American should lend his voice and influence to the making of such a public opinion before congress meets again.

WILLIAM E. SMYTHE.

A Special Bargain.

A special bargain for ten days quick sale, six houses and lots \$91 per month rent. Price \$4,500. Nothing like it.—Graham and Brown.

Cheap Real Estate.

320 acres of the best bottom land in the Pecos Valley, a good artesian well, will irrigate whole tract in orchard or one-half in alfalfa, fenced, one-half miles from railroad. 5t. RICHEY AND DeFREEST.

To the Strangers of Roswell.

We extend a cordial invitation to visit our stores, use our desk, drink our ice water and make themselves at home. We are at 404, 406 and 410 North Main street, opposite the court house park.

Come in, we want to meet you. Very Truly, COULTER AND CO.

O. S. Reavis, who has been here for the past few months for his health, left this morning for his home in Henley, Missouri. He expects to return.

## What's New in Fall Hats?

Come in and see Our advance styles for fall have arrived. Stiff hats and soft hats Drop in and take a look at them. You can tell by looking that we are the Hatters and Men's Furnishers of Roswell.

E. H. Williams & Co. THE MENS FURNISHERS

We are too busy to write "ads". We are Collecting.

I. A. Wallace & Son. MODERN GROCERS. PHONE 96.

## We Are Opening TO-DAY

The very Latest things in Ladies' Suits and Coats.

Louis the Fourteenth Style is the Proper Thing

Priced to Sell

FORSTAD & JOHNSON.

CORNER 4th and MAIN.

## WESTERN GROCERY CO.

Here are the BEST and FRESHEST Groceries ONE TRIAL WILL MAKE YOU A CUSTOMER.

## School Books

and Stationery

Although a side line with us we have large enough stock to equip a first class Book and Stationery store, and being a side line we make close enough prices to interest all bargain hunters. We have 12,000 tablets and every one a bargain. Try us.

## Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Phone 1 We do rapid and accurate prescription work.

Cigars When you want a good solid smoke give us a call. You can't miss us. On the corner opposite the post office.

## Bring Us Your Prescriptions. The Payton Drug Co.

Prescription Druggists. 301 North Main.

## Opera House Improvements.

The south side of the lower floor of the opera house is being completed having been leased for twelve months by the M. E. church. When completed the church will have most pleasant rooms for their services. The church in turn has leased two of the rooms to the school board for the length of time necessary before the new building is completed.

Some weeks ago the Board tried to rent the lower floor of the opera house, but it was found that the amount of money it would take to put it into condition would be much more than the short time they would use the rooms would justify. It was also suggested by some that the auditorium and third floor be rented but on account of the difficulty of heating the former and the danger of fire in case the third floor was rented made each of these propositions untenable.

The present arrangement is satisfactory to all.

Hon. Frank A. Hubbell of Albuquerque, is at the Grand Central, with his two sons, James L. and John A. Hubbell, and Chas. Myers, Robert C. Hopkins, Nicolas S. Armijo, Arwin Kramer, Lawrence Selva Herbert Wagner, R. H. Garrett, Cortez S. Quickel. They are all from Albuquerque and Mr. Hubbell will enter them at the N. M. I. today.

son and furnishing rich pasturage beside. Here are vineyards bearing the famous raisins and wine grapes of the San Joaquin valley. And here are orchards laden each year with luscious peaches, nectarines, and prunes, and other orchards of almonds and walnuts. Oranges are not produced in commercial quantities, but are found in the door-yards with the other rich offerings of the semitropical climate. It is literally a land owing with milk and honey.

And this greatest irrigated farm in the world is now a private estate? It is, yet only a few years ago every acre of this opulent soil, together with the precious stream which waters it, belonged to the people of the United States. The soil, the water, the mountains, the forests and the melting snows which lie in their embrace—all these formed a part of the heritage of our children and mine.

Carved Out of the Public Domain.

How, then, did all this land and water pass into private ownership? The thing was done by means of the preposterous land laws of the United States. It is strange that these were ever placed on the statute book—stranger yet that thus far they defy all efforts to effect their repeal. No one ever dared to go before congress and respectfully request the passage of a bill entitled "An Act to Enable Rich Men and corporations to acquire lordly estates from the Public Domain." Of course, no one would think of proceeding in precisely that way.

What is actually done is to ask congress to assist them in "making homes for the homeless and in furnishing land to the landless." And the method proposed is the notorious Desert Land Law. This was a fraud and a humbug from its inception. It is a sort of anaesthetic administered to the people to put them asleep while some of the millions of

Free We will give away this first class bicycle FREE to the one getting the lucky number. We give a free ticket on this wheel with every 25c purchase of goods bought at our store. We have the most complete line of school books and supplies at the lowest prices. Buy your school books from us and get a chance free on this fine wheel. See wheel in window.

## GRAHAM'S BOOK STORE.

On corner opposite Post Office.